Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 05 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 06 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 05 Dec 2023 at 04:15 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Tuesday and Wednesday. High for a change to less cold and unsettled weather from Thursday onwards, but low for daily detail.

Headline for Tuesday 05 Dec 2023: Mainly dry, cold and bright

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 05 Dec 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%

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Weather: All ranges will have a dry and cold day with plenty of sunshine. Light winds. Clear spells after dark.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%

Low Cloud and visibility: Summits will be clear with only small amounts of low cloud. Very good visibility and air clarity from the tops.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	14/17 NE	6/8 SE	4/6 SE	5/6 SE	5/6 SE	7/9 SE	9/12 SE
900	12/15 E	9/12 E	7/9 SE	6/7 SE	6/7 S	7/9 SE	9/12 SE
600	13/16 NE	6/7 E	5/6 NE	5/7 E	4/5 NE	4/6 E	6/8 E
300	6/9 N	3/5 N	3/4 E	3/4 N	3/5 NE	3/5 NE	4/6 E
Glen	5/12 NE	4/9 NE	3/7 NE	2/5 N	2/6 E	2/5 NE	2/5 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-3/-10	-3/-7	-4/-7	-4/-8	-5/-9	-5/-10	-6/-11
900	-2/-8	-2/-7	-2/-6	-3/-6	-4/-7	-4/-8	-4/-9
600	0/-5	0/-3	0/-2	0/-3	-1/-3	-1/-4	-1/-4
300	1/-2	0/-2	1/-1	1/-1	0/-2	-0/-2	0/-2
Glen	1/-1	0/-2	2/0	0/-1	-1/-3	-2/-4	-1/-3
Freezing Level*	500m	300m	300m	400m	300m	100m	100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add

Forecast for Wednesday 06 Dec 2023
Weather: Most of the day will be dry but thickening cloud will bring outbreaks of snow from the southwest after dark, this turning persistent and heavy in places in the evening. Parts of southern Lochaber may see only small amounts of snow. Becoming very windy later with drifting snow likely. Snow will turn to rain at lower elevations towards late evening as freezing levels rise.

Maximum wind: Southeasterly 15 to 25 mph but strengthening by dark to 40 to 50 mph over the summits

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%

Low Cloud and visibility: Very good visibility for most of the day. Cloud becoming extensive down to 500 to 700 metres as snow extends north after dark. Poor visibility developing in cloud and snow.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 8 rising to 3 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: 400 metres rising above summits across western Argyll late evening

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